



# TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE

## TOWN BULLETIN

### JULY 2009

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WABA	7:00pm Thursday	July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Justus
TOWN COUNCIL	7:00pm Tuesday	July 7 <sup>th</sup> (1 week early)	Clemett
PLANNING COMMISSION		NO JULY MEETING	
Kids Crafts & Treats	2:00pm Wednesday	July 1 <sup>st</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 29 <sup>th</sup>	Beach

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**IN MEMORIAM:** George Bernard Whatmore, PhD, MD, our longtime neighbor and friend, died June 5, 2009 peacefully at home with his family by his side. George was 91 and our oldest resident; he lived here 61 of those years after moving his family here in 1948. George was born in Seattle in 1917, and earned his Bachelor's degree in pharmacology from UW in 1940. He then earned his Ph.D. in neurophysiology in 1946, and his MD in 1948 both from the University of Chicago. George devoted his career to practice and research in clinical neurophysiology; he was a pioneer in using neuromuscular biofeedback for treatment and is considered the founder of this field. He published many articles and a book, "The Physiopathology and Treatment of Functional Disorders". After George retired from medical practice, he spent the next 26 years doing research for two books on religion, first "A Scientist Looks at Religion", then "High Probability Christianity" which he recently completed. George was an amazing, brilliant, methodical, dedicated, thorough, athletic and passionate person. His late wife Frances of 63 years preceded him in death in 2005. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family, especially his children Pamela, David and Nancy. A memorial is being planned for both George and Frances in the fall; in lieu of flowers their family would like to receive your memories of George and Frances.

**FOURTH OF JULY REMINDER:** *Fireworks are prohibited in Beaux Arts.* Ordinance 20 prohibits the discharge of firearms within Village limits. Ordinance 211 prohibits the discharge of fireworks except by licensed professionals, and then only when authorized by the Council. Thank you for adhering to these ordinances for your safety. We should be able to see many fireworks put on by other towns from our beach, and Bellevue will have a huge display at the downtown park as well for all to enjoy.

**TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: Remember, "Lock it or lose it".** In the last few weeks, we have been reminded the annual seasonal upswing in property crimes is right on schedule when two burglaries on 29<sup>th</sup> St. occurred. In the **lower village**, a garage door was left open, cell phone and other personal items were stolen. In the **upper village**, a burglar entered through an open window while the owners were away and stole electronics, video hardware & games, and other miscellaneous items.

Marshal Scott reports he is not aware of any thefts that have occurred that did **not** involve **unlocked** doors or windows. In other words, all property thefts, thus far, appear to be deterred by locks. **Please lock up your stuff!** Please know that thieves may come here from other areas just to determine if anyone is home; it is likely that cars not in a locked garage are cased as often as twice a week.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:** At the June 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting:

- The Council confirmed Tom Stowe's appointment to fill the position vacated when former Councilmember Leider was appointed Mayor. Councilmember Stowe was sworn in and assumed his duties immediately and has filed for election to the position this fall.
- The Council again discussed a City of Bellevue proposal to make improvements along 108<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, including their request that the Town consider de-annexing that portion of the affected road and right-of-way within our boundaries. This discussion was limited to hearing public comments and concerns about the idea since the

Town has received only limited information about the project and has not seen drawings or specific details about the proposal. The Council intends to continue its review and discussion of this issue as additional information becomes available.

- The Council held a public hearing to consider granting a Letter of Exemption to the Western Academy of Beaux Arts for the fire pit and picnic structure they recently built on their waterfront property. This Letter of Exemption recognizes that the work constituted a replacement and, therefore, does not require a Substantial Development Permit. After some discussion, the Council voted to grant the Letter of Exemption. The Town's building official had determined already that no building permit was needed, and WABA had already obtained an electrical permit from the State.
- Councilmember Eulau reported that the final draft of the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is almost ready for distribution to the appropriate State agencies for review and comments. He added that once the State completes its review and approves our plan, the Town's Emergency Services committee will prepare response kits, including checklists and other important information, to distribute to members of the Town's Emergency Response team.
- Councilmember Sharp reported that the survey of the Town's existing storm water facilities is about 75% complete.
- The Council discussed how to best manage WABA's plan for needed repairs and maintenance to the docks on their waterfront property with WABA Dock master David Dempster. This discussion included reviewing a general list of maintenance projects and the number of permits needed from the Town and other State and Federal agencies.
- The Council heard Town Planner Mona Green's plan for updating the Town's Shoreline Master Program. This update will be funded by a State grant and must be completed by December 2012. The work to complete the update will include a biological assessment of the shoreline and the aquatic environment within the Town's boundaries to ensure that the new plan protects against any loss in ecological function.
- The Council continued reviewing and discussing an ordinance regulating the use and development of Town rights of way.
- The Council passed Ordinance No. 366 establishing Continuity of Government for Emergency Response and Ordinance No. 367 creating the Town's Emergency Services Organization.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** The next meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, July 7, 2009** at Carol Clemett's house. This is a special meeting, because it will be held *one week early* and in lieu of the regular meeting originally scheduled for July 14, 2009.

**NEXT WABA MEETING:** The next regular meeting of the Western Academy of Beaux Arts Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Thursday, July 2, 2009** at Sheila Justus's house.

#### **BOAT DOCK BONDS REPAID:**

The WABA Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that the boat dock revenue bonds have matured and full principle and interest has been paid. In 1994 it was determined that the boat docks required major repairs and remodeling. To fund this project, \$200,000 in revenue bonds, to be paid by the income from moorage fees, was bought by WABA members. The boat docks are self-sustaining from moorage fees and no WABA assessment funds are utilized in the operation of the docks. The Trustees want to give a special note of thanks to Robin Stefan who served as Bond Fund Coordinator.

#### **NEW BEACH TOWING POLICY:**

In response to WABA members' concern about parking congestion at the beach, the Board of Trustees has decided to have parking violators towed (instead of just ticketed). Vehicles parked at the beach without a WABA parking sticker or guest pass visibly displayed will be towed. It is the responsibility of each WABA member to insure that their vehicles have a WABA parking sticker and that their guest's vehicle has a parking pass visibly displayed. We are in the process of having new beach road signs made which will state that ***parking is by permit only and violators will be towed.***

#### **SEAFAIR BEACH SECURITY:**

Last year we received many positive comments on having security personnel on each beach road during Sea Fair weekend. Consequently, we have decided to do the same thing this year. There will be security personnel on each beach road on Sea Fair weekend to insure that ***only vehicles with parking stickers or guest passes are allowed access*** down to our private beach roads and parking lots. Please discuss the parking policy with all members of your family and emphasize that **violators will be towed**.

**BEACH REMINDERS:** In addition to the new towing policy on our beach parking lots, we have a lot of beach rules aimed at keeping our residents safe, and the WABA beach private, safe and clean. Please see WABA Clerk Gail D'Alessio if you need a parking sticker, parking pass or beach reservation. Thank you for doing your part! Please remember:

Curfew: ***Only WABA property owners are allowed on the beach after curfew; King Co. Sheriff will be patrolling!***

Reservations: ***You need a reservation for groups of 12 or more.*** Beach Reservations are available on the WABA website <http://www.waba1908.com/> under "calendar" as well as through Gail.

Speed Limits: ***The beach roads have a 5 MPH speed limit.*** Thank you for being mindful of everyone's safety!

Guests & Parking: ***You must accompany your guests at all times – including boaters on the docks.*** Thank you for educating your guests on our beach & dock rules. ***Parking at the beach is by permit only.*** Make sure your car has a parking sticker. Guests accompanying you to the beach in their own vehicle should use your guest parking pass; **violators will now be towed** (not just ticketed).

Kids & Dogs: ***Dogs are NOT allowed at the swim beach*** during the summer but are welcome in the "dog run" area at the north beach. ***Children under 10 years old are NOT allowed to be at the beach without an adult.*** Children over 10 must also have passed a ***swim test*** to come to the beach without an adult.

**BEACHMASTER REPORT:** Hello Members, Former Mayor Rose joked there should be a 2 dog minimum to live in the Village; I wouldn't argue with his statement until I step in the wrong place on the beach! Please, '**scoop it**' or use the provided Mutt Mitts! Remember that dogs are to be escorted around the swim area through the South beach parking lot rather than on the beach grass until Labor Day. Now let's get summer started! -Beach Master Forrest

**DOCKMASTER REPORT:** Boating season is here! Please be careful out on the Lake and on the docks. I want to thank our former Dock Master, David Dempster, for his hard work over the past seven years and for helping me transition into the job. He leaves the docks, dock finances, and records in great shape. David will continue to work on special projects over the coming months (and hopefully will pick up the phone when I ask him for advice!).

We have a nearly-full marina with many villagers waiting patiently for slips. We currently have one 36 foot slip available and four shallow seasonal slips - let me know if you're interested. However, the wait list for a 24 foot water ski slip is VERY long - 14 families. Many of these patient folks have been waiting for a slip for over two years. I strongly encourage folks who have, but are not regularly using their 24 foot slip to think seriously about their boating plans. WABA seeks to maximize the usage of the marina and give folks who want to use a boat regularly the chance to do so. If you don't regularly use your boat, its lack of reliability is causing your boat to be more of a menace than a thrill, you aren't using it because the battery has been dead for months, or you just want to use it for one more SeaFair, please consider freeing up the space for one of your neighbors, even if it's after SeaFair.

I hear a lot from folks with questions about the rules of the docks. The Green Book contains all the rules. If you have questions or have dock-related concerns please contact me. – Bernard van de Kamp, Dock Master

**BEACH MOM REPORT:** Come bring your kids to do crafts on the following **Wednesday afternoons from 2-4pm** at the south end of the beach by the swim area! (See Nancy Burlingame if you can help or have questions)

July 1: Treasure boxes decorated with jewels, seashells and colored sand (use the boxes to keep your beach glass and other summer collections!) with Root beer Floats!

July 15: Scavenger Hunt and Ice Cream Cones!

July 29: Rock painting. Make your own creature or abstract art! Rock diving and Ice Cream Sandwiches!

Aug. 5: Paper Mache' vases and decorations for the August 8<sup>th</sup> picnic, with Root beer floats!

Aug. 26: Sun catchers, Paper airplanes and paper airplane competition, with Snow cones!

**SUMMER PICNIC, ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR:** Both the Summer Picnic and the Arts & Crafts Fair are planned this year for the same day in August, on **Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>** but we need your help to make it a reality!!

6am-1pm Kids Competitions at the Beach: Fishing Derby, Pet Parade, Beach Triathlon, and Rock Diving

10am-4pm Arts & Crafts Fair at the Tennis Courts

6pm-9pm WABA Picnic at the Tennis Courts

9pm-9am Kids Sleepover on the Beach

If you are interested in organizing any of these annual traditions, please see WABA Trustee Becky Ryals!

**THANK YOU** to Beach Mom Nancy Burlingame and WABA Trustee Becky Ryals for organizing and hosting our “Welcome Lifeguards” party held on June 20<sup>th</sup> at the beach. Lifeguards Alex and JC are now sharing a schedule to keep a lifeguard on duty daily from **1pm-7pm** on Mondays through Saturdays, and **1pm-6m** on Sundays through August.

**WELCOME** to our new WABA guest members:

*Eric Ayrault* and son *Ethan* (11) are the new Johnston renters. Eric is an English teacher, Seattle native and enthusiastic BARF sailor. Eric and Ethan are eager to get to know villagers, especially those with kids near Ethan's age, so please say hello when you see them at the beach or working in the Johnston's garden!

*Lori Manderscheid* is thrilled to be here along with her college kids- daughter *Shelby* (18) and son *Nicholas* (19), renting the Simonsen house on 107<sup>th</sup>. Lori is studying to be an interior designer, if anyone needs her services! Please stop and say hello on your walk past our eagles' nest, or if you see them at the beach!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to resident *Warren Klink*, landscape architect, who has earned an “Award of Merit” by the national Perennial Plant Association for his design of the front entrance garden to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Factoria. Warren and his design were featured in a recent article in the *Bellevue Reporter* [http://www.pnwlocalnews.com/east\\_king/bel/community/47346737.html](http://www.pnwlocalnews.com/east_king/bel/community/47346737.html) and will also be featured in an upcoming issue of *Perennial Plants Journal*.

**BUILDING NEWS-** All necessary permits were issued by the Beaux Arts Building Dept. in June for the following: 10405 SE 28<sup>th</sup> Pl. BBQ enclosure

The building department reminds all residents if you are planning any work at all – including landscaping – to please contact Deputy Clerk Kulp **before** you begin to determine whether any permits will be required, and to avoid potential penalties. (Most construction projects require a permit of some type.) Please pay special attention to setback requirements and keep in mind that lot coverage (impervious area) is limited to 35% of your lot area. Remember also a tree permit is required for the potential removal of any protected tree.

**LOST AND FOUND:** The following items found at the beach in April are still waiting to be claimed:

Hitachi Flashlight	See Lynn Hall
Navy Beach Blanket	See Angela Kulp

**NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?**

- Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.  
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Phone: (425) 454-8580  
Mail: 10550 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.
- Contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp if you have questions about the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.  
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- To report Block watch concerns, contact:  
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